

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 BAMA KO 00083 070918Z

ACTION AF-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 DIWY-01 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05 H-01

INR-07 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02

SS-15 USIA-06 IO-13 CU-04 /075 W

-----091943 070926Z /10

R 061742Z JAN 78

FM AMEMBASSY BAMA KO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8249

INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

AMEMBASSY DAKAR

AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU

C O N F I D E N T I A L BAMA KO 0083

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, PGOV, ML

SUBJ: MALIAN WOMEN'S CONGRESS ACCEPTS NEW LEADERSHIP

REF: 77 BAMA KO 5262

1. REPRESENTATIVES OF NATIONAL UNION OF MALIAN WOMEN (UNFM) MET DECEMBER 26-28 IN FIRST ORDINARY CONGRESS TO HEAR REPORTS FROM LOCAL UNIONS, TO EVALUATE NATIONAL PROGRAMS, AND, AS THEN-UNFM PRESIDENT MIRIAM TRAORE SUGGESTED IN HER OPENING SPEECH, TO BRING CONSTRUCTIVE JUDGMENT ON THOSE PLACED IN DIRECTION OF ORGANIZATION OVER PAST THREE YEARS. CONGRESS DELEGATES ACCOMPLISHED LATTER TASK BY VOTING IN ESSENTIALLY

NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

2. ATMOSPHERICS. CONGRESS WAS WELL ORGANIZED, DELEGATES SERIOUS, AND DISCUSSION OPEN AND LIVELY. NEIGHBORING AFRICAN STATES, SOVIET UNION, EAST GERMANY, AND KOREA SENT GOVERNMENTAL DELEGATES. WEST GERMANY AND UNITED STATES REPRESENTED BY PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS: FRG MY A REPRESENTATIVE OF COUNCIL OF GERMAN WOMEN, AND THE

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 BAMA KO 00083 070918Z

UNITED STATES BY MS. MARY ANN FRENCH OF THE BLACK WOMEN'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND. MS. FRENCH'S FRIENDLY DEMEANOR AND CORDIAL GREETING TO CONGRESS WELL RECEIVED. NORTH KOREAN DELEGATE, WIFE OF LOCAL AMBASSADOR, AND SOVIET DELEGATE GAVE IRRELEVANT, IDEOLOGICAL SPEECHES WHICH, AMONG OTHER THINGS, ATTACKED THE UNITED STATES FOR DEVELOPING NEURTON BOMB. (AS RESULT, THIS EMBASSY

BOYCOTTED RECEPTION BY SOVIET AMBASSADOR FOR HIS DELEGATE.)

3. LEADERSHIP. CHANGE IN UNFM LEADERSHIP REPORTEDLY DECIDED BY RULING MILITARY COMMITTEE FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION (CMLN) SOME WEEKS PRIOR TO CONGRESS BUT CAME AS SURPRISE TO MOST OBSERVERS. IT NOW APPARENT THAT CMLN ATTEMPTING TO INCREASE UNFM'S MANAGEMENT CAPACITY BY CREATING ADDITIONAL EXECUTIVE POSITION (ELEVATING MME TRAORE TO POSITION OF HONORARY PRESIDENT) AND BY REPLACING MME FATOU TALL, FORMER SECRETARY GENERAL, AND HER CLOSE ASSOCIATES.

4. ALTHOUGH MME TALL HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN MOBILIZING WOMEN FOR VARIOUS POLITICAL EVENTS, HER LACK OF MANAGERIAL SKILL WAS NOTORIOUS, A PROBLEM OF WHICH UPPER LEVELS MALIAN ADMINISTRATION FULLY AWARE. FURTHER, MME TALL WAS, OF LATE, NOT IN GOOD HEALTH. AT RECENT INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE IN MOPTI, MME TALL, OBVIOUSLY AILING, EXERTED LITTLE LEADERSHIP, WHILE PRESENT PRESIDENT, MME SIRA SISSOKO DIOP, EMERGED AS MAJOR FORCE. MME DIOP HAS BROAD RANGE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE, INTELLECTUAL STATURE SUITED TO LEADERSHIP ROLE, AND ACTIVE, PRAGMATIC BENT THAT BODES WELL FOR EFFECTIVE EMBASSY COLLABORATION WITH UNFM OVER NEXT THREE YEARS.
GRANER
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 BAMA KO 00083 070918Z

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: WOMEN, POLITICAL LEADERS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 06 jan 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978BAMAKO00083
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780012-0002
Format: TEL
From: BAMAKO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780194/aaaadawf.tel
Line Count: 94
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: a59e01e6-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION AF
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 77 BAMAKO 5262
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 27 apr 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3820698
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: MALIAN WOMEN'S CONGRESS ACCEPTS NEW LEADERSHIP
TAGS: PINT, PGOV, ML
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/a59e01e6-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014